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POLICE INVESTIGATE OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN MOUNTAIN VIEW

(San Diego) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating an armed robbery on a Mountain View street that resulted in an officer-involved shooting, a vehicle pursuit/crash, and five suspects arrested.

On Wednesday, June 10, at about 7:40 p.m., a woman was standing in the 3800 block of Gamma Street when three suspects (two men and a woman) approached her. The males were armed with a handgun and a knife, and they robbed the woman. The suspects fled in a white van.

Three San Diego Police Department detectives were conducting an unrelated investigation nearby, and they saw the white van run through several stop signs as it fled the robbery scene. Before the robbery victim called police, the detectives asked for a marked patrol unit to stop the van. The detectives followed the van, and they saw it enter the south alley of 3900 Ocean View Boulevard. As the detectives turned into the alley from 39th Street, they saw the van stopped approximately 50 feet east of them. A male, standing on the passenger side of the van, began shooting at them. At least one round struck the windshield of the detectives' unmarked vehicle. Two detectives returned fire on the suspect, who got back into the van.

The female van driver led officers on a pursuit that ended on Palm Avenue under I-805 when she crashed into a concrete pillar on the median. A male passenger fled on foot, and a police service dog bit him before he was taken into custody. Officers arrested two males and two females inside the van. One of the males inside the van had a suspected gunshot wound, and he was identified as the suspect who shot at the detectives. Officers also recovered a handgun on one of the streets travelled during the pursuit.

Jeff Quijano, 21, was charged with three counts of attempted murder. He is under guard at a trauma center. Andrea Ramos, 18, was charged with felony evading and driving under the influence of alcohol. Jose Lopez and Octavio Ibarra, both 23, were charged with parole violation. Isaura Morales, 22, was charged with an outstanding misdemeanor warrant.

At this time, detectives are still processing the crime scenes and interviewing the robbery victim and involved officers. The detectives involved in the shooting are 20 and 10 year veterans respectively. The 20-year-veteran is assigned to Southeastern Division, and the 10-year-veteran is assigned to the Street Gang Unit.